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When Cuong De arrived in Bangkok, Thai officials asked his opinion of the Bao Dai Government. Cuong De replied that his nephew Bao Dai was an irresponsible and childish person whom the French have used to fool the world. Cuong De further stated that "there is no real independence in Viet Nam now."

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